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On the Steps · *Sarge Sterling*

One Sunday when the sky was dark green
From the reflection of the grassy plots
I sat on the library steps reading Trollope.
When there he was.
His pencil and pad in his hands.
I must write two hundred and fifty words in fifteen minutes.
May I sit beside you.
I said are you really Trollope?
Hey, he said, you must be joking
Can't you see the sadness in my eyes
And the world of my novels
Dancing on the highways.